

<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>PROBLEM</u>	<u>SOLUTION</u>
Taxation Category: Investment R&D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WA has by far the highest taxes for cannabis, which puts at a disadvantage for the imminent national and global market ○ No regular business write-offs ○ No regular bank loans / lines of credit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Appropriate money from dedicated marijuana fund for small business loans ○ Allow producer/processors to sell <.3% THC outside the 502 market ○ Allow retailers to sell non-cannabis items
Traceability Category: Enforcement Type of Product Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State run traceability is inadequate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Does little to prevent inversion or diversion ○ Costs licensees stress, monetary and emotional toil 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Move to a record and audit system (like the Department of Financial Institution)
Safe Consumption Category: R&D Enforcement Type of Product	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Testing of Pesticides and Heavy Metals; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WA is the only state that does not require pesticide testing on adult use products ○ Consumer safety; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Where can consumers get accurate info? ○ Ability to consume safely and legally <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Banquet Permits ○ Consumption Clubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implement mandatory pesticide testing of end products ○ Require “NOT TESTED FOR PESTICIDES” on products that do not have pesticide tests ○ Use the current WSDA contract to pesticide test the largest volume concentrate companies ○ Fund more health research & education ○ Consider establishing safe consumption sites
Medical Access Category: R&D Infrastructure Type of Product	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lack of medical products on the shelves <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lack of pesticide and heavy metal tested products ○ Extreme cost increase after SB 5052 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patients pay 37% excise tax ○ Unreliable information at point of sale ○ Not HIPPA compliant ○ Poor consultation environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Remove excise tax for qualified patients ○ Provide incentive for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ retailers to carry medical product ○ producer/processors to grow medical product ○ Allow qualified patients to purchase more ○ Effectively train budtenders/consultants ○ Medical professional provides card; not the retailer.
Research / Best Practices Category: R&D Infrastructure Type of Product	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There is a great need for science based research and education on cannabis ○ Lack of access to shared, trusted, and verified resources and information on safe growing methods ○ Lack of cannabis-related education and training including health and safety information for producers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approve establishment of Cannabis Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Research plant development & safe cultivation ○ Owned by all farmers, large and small ○ Provides education & resources for farmers ○ Establishes best practices ○ Encourages plant diversity for further research

THE CANNABIS ALLIANCE



WHO ARE WE?

THE CANNABIS ALLIANCE is a non-profit, membership-based association of individuals, businesses, government officials, and non-profit organizations dedicated to the advancement of a sustainable, vital and ethical cannabis industry.

What makes us unique?



We are the largest industry association in WA State with almost **300** cannabis businesses as members.



We represent the broadest cross section of the industry; by geography and by business type.

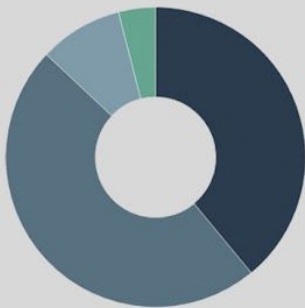


We are inclusive. We work with other organizations and local & state agencies to find solutions that work for most.



We believe in sustainable strategies that take into account people and the planet, as well as profits.

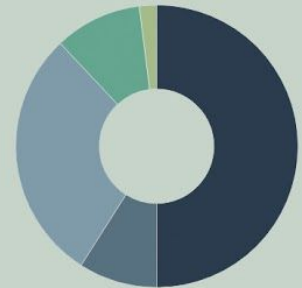
OUR MEMBERS REPRESENT A FULL SPECTRUM OF THE INDUSTRY



- LICENSEES (48%)
- ANCILLARY BUSINESSES (39%)
- PATIENTS/INDIVIDUALS (9%)
- INDUSTRY GROUPS (4%)

OUR MEMBERS REPRESENT EVERY LICENSE TYPE

- PRODUCER/PROCESSOR (50%)
- TRANSIT CO. (2%)
- PROCESSOR ONLY (10%)
- RETAILER (29%)
- CANNABIS LAB (9%)



Making the case for cannabis.

One of the casualties of the war on drugs is the truth about cannabis. And we want to do something about that.

The Cannabis Alliance's mission as a non-profit is to tell the real story about cannabis through education, advocacy and setting the highest possible industry standards. We want people to learn the positive impact the industry has in providing new businesses, jobs and tax income, as well as many other social benefits.

While we may not change all minds, our hope is that, by telling the truth, people will make an informed decision for themselves. **JOIN US!**

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